है कि वे अपने सिकार्डो का रख रखाव पालिसियों की संख्या के आधार पर,न कि जीवित व्यक्तियों की संख्या के आधार पर,रखते हैं । वर्ष 1995-96 तथा 1996-97 के दौरान पालिसियों की संख्या तथा इन पालिसियों के अन्तर्गत प्राप्त पालिसियों की प्रीमियम राशि इस प्रकार हैं :-

वर्ष	पालिसियों की संख्या	प्रथम प्रीमियम आय
		(करोड़ रू.)
1995-95	1,10,20,825	1,472.45
1996-97	1,22,68,476	1,805.12

(वर्ष 1996-97 के लिए आंकड़े अनन्तिम हैं ।)

वर्ष 1995-96 वित्तीय वर्ष के लिए तथा कारबार लागत अनुपात पहले वर्ष प्रीमियम का 66.3 प्रतिशत निकला है । वित्तीय वर्ष 1995-96 के लिए नए कारबार में से 31-3-96 तक 1,39,528 पालिसियां व्यपगत हो गई । वर्ष 1996-97 के लिए तदनुरूप आंकड़े अभी देय नहीं है।

लाभ /हानि की सामान्य कारबार धारणा जीवन बीमा में नहीं है । तथापि,पालिसियों के व्यपगत होने से कुल निर्गम अधिशेष पर दबाव पड़ता है ।

Equiry to foreign investors in *domestic* Companies

2207, SHRI ASHOK MITRA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of domestic companies in which foreign investors have bought between 25 to 30 per cent of the equity since the presentation of the budget; and

(b) whether ft is proposed to tax .them at the rate applicable to foreign companies since such companies will be controlled by foreigners?

THE MINISIER OF STATE IN THE MIN,STRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SAT-PAL MAHARAJ): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Heure

News-item captioned 'MNCs amand Mauritous arms articles *to arodi* tax tangla

2208. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHER JEE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item 'MNCs. amend Mauritius arms articles to avoid tax tangle' in Business Standard dated 4th July, 1997; and

(b) if so, action taken by Government to plug the loopholes to prevent loss to the Exchequer in the form of income-tax?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SAT-PAL MAHARAJ): (a) and (b) The Government is aware of the news-item referred to in the question but no specific instance of any company having amended its Articles of Association, as reported in the news-item referred to by the Hcn'ble Member, has come to the notice of the Government.

In the circumstances, the question of taking any corrective action does not arise.

Increase in Agreement Deposits of Banks

2209. SHRI J. CHITHARANIAN:

DR. ALLADl P. RAIKUMAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the aggregate deposits wiiii the banks have increased by Rs. 12,302 crores durjng April—May, 1977, while the non-food credit extended by the banking sector has gone down by Rs. 1,467 crores;